

February 25, 2002

Ms. Colleen Freeze, Awards Coordinator
Office of the Director
WA Department of Fish and Wildlife
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Dear Ms. Freeze

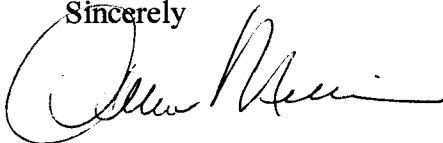
I wish to thank the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife for the honor of being presented the 2000 Landowner of the Year award. I want to sincerely apologize for the tardiness of this thank you. As you know I was not able to attend the awards ceremony and we tried to find a time when both the Wildlife Commission and I could be in the same place at the same time, all last year and were not successful. I did receive the plaque, by mail, in early December.

I truly appreciate being recognized for this award and feel grateful to have the opportunity to work with the department and employees in the many various ways that I do.

I am enclosing copies of some newspaper articles and letters I have received, regarding this award.

Again, thank you for the 2000 Landowner of the Year award – it is not often a cowboy in a black hat receives an award from the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Allen Miller".

Allen Miller

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